

REMARKS

With the foregoing amendment, claims 4-8, 10-28, and 30-39 are now pending in the application. Claims 1-3 were canceled in the previous amendment. Claims 9 and 29 are canceled without prejudice. By this Amendment, the Applicants amend Claims 4, 10, 11, and 24.

The Applicants note with appreciation that Claims 9-20 and 29-36 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claims, but are allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the associated base claim and any intervening claims.

Accordingly, independent Claim 4 is amended to include the limitations of allowable Claim 9 and, therefore, should now be in a condition for allowance. Also, independent Claim 24 is amended to include the limitations of allowable Claim 29 and, therefore, should now be in a condition for allowance.

Claim 10 is amended to depend from now allowable Claim 4 and should, therefore, be allowable. Claim 11 is amended to depend from now allowable Claim 10 and should also be allowable.

Because Claims 5-8 and 12-23 depend from, and are limited by, now allowable independent Claim 4, Claims 5-8 and 12-23 should now be allowable.

Because Claims 25-28 and 30-39 depend from, and are limited by, now allowable independent Claim 24, Claims 25-28 and 30-39 should now be allowable.

CONCLUSION

Applicants believe that no fee is required in connection with this submission. However, if any fees are due in connection with this submission, please charge our Deposit Account No. 18-1945, under Order No. SION-P02-006 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

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